

**The Florida Senate**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA**

**BUDGET**  
**Senator Alexander, Chair**  
**Senator Negrón, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Wednesday, April 13, 2011**TIME:** 1:30 —4:45 p.m.**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

**MEMBERS:** Senator Alexander, Chair; Senator Negrón, Vice Chair; Senators Altman, Benacquisto, Bogdanoff, Fasano, Flores, Gaetz, Hays, Joyner, Lynn, Margolis, Montford, Rich, Richter, Simmons, Siplin, Sobel, Thrasher, Wise, and Gardiner

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	<b>CS/SB 830</b> Community Affairs / Thrasher (Similar CS/H 1021)	Labor and Employment; Prohibits a state agency from deducting from employee wages the dues, uniform assessments, fines, penalties, or special assessments of an employee organization or contributions made for purposes of political activity. Prohibits a county, municipality, or other local governmental entity from deducting from employee wages the dues, uniform assessments, fines, penalties, or special assessments of an employee organization or contributions made for purposes of political activity, etc.  CA 03/07/2011 CA 03/14/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Favorable RC	Favorable Yeas 11 Nays 9
2	<b>CS/SB 1414</b> Banking and Insurance / Wise (Compare CS/H 97)	Health Insurance; Prohibits certain health insurance policies and health maintenance contracts from providing coverage for abortions. Provides that certain restrictions on coverage for abortions apply to certain group health insurance policies issued or delivered outside the state which provide coverage to residents of the state. Provides that certain restrictions on coverage for abortions apply to plans under the Employee Health Care Access Act, etc.  HR 03/14/2011 Favorable BI 03/22/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered	Not Considered
3	<b>SB 1620</b> Flores (Compare H 7197, CS/CS/S 1546)	K-12 Educational Instruction; Adds statewide virtual providers to the list of public school choices. Authorizes the creation of a virtual charter school. Requires the virtual charter school to contract with an approved statewide virtual provider. Provides for funding of the virtual charter school. Provides for a blended-learning charter school. Provides that home education students may enroll in certain virtual education courses or courses offered in the school district in which they reside, etc.  ED 04/05/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered RC	Not Considered

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4	<b>CS/CS/SB 1546</b> Higher Education / Education Pre-K - 12 / Thrasher (Compare H 7195, H 7197, S 1620)	Charter Schools; Requires that the Department of Education provide or arrange for training and technical assistance for charter schools. Provides for the designation of charter schools as high-performing if certain requirements are met. Requires that the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability conduct a study comparing the funding of charter schools to the funding of public schools. Provides requirements for the study. Requires the office to submit its recommendations and findings to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date, etc.  ED 03/23/2011 Temporarily Postponed ED 03/30/2011 Fav/CS HE 04/04/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered	Not Considered
5	<b>CS/SB 2040</b> Judiciary / Judiciary (Compare H 691, S 518, S 1896)	Unauthorized Immigrants; Requires every employer to use the federal program for electronic verification of employment eligibility in order to verify the employment eligibility of each employee hired on or after a specified date. Provides an exception for employers who request and receive from the employee certain driver's licenses or identification cards. Requires the employers to check the documents using authentication technology, etc.  JU 04/04/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Temporarily Postponed	Temporarily Postponed
6	<b>CS/SB 886</b> Transportation / Oelrich (Compare H 643)	Motor Vehicles; Revises penalties for unlawful operation of a soundmaking device in a motor vehicle. Provides that a second or subsequent violation is a moving violation and includes the assessment of points against the driver's license. Provides increased penalties for repeat violations within a certain time period.  TR 03/09/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered RC	Not Considered
7	<b>CS/SB 196</b> Community Affairs / Fasano (Similar H 501)	Choose Life License Plates; Provides for the annual use fees to be distributed to Choose Life, Inc., rather than the counties. Provides for Choose Life, Inc., to redistribute a portion of such funds to nongovernmental, not-for-profit agencies that assist certain pregnant women. Authorizes Choose Life, Inc., to use a portion of the funds to administer and promote the Choose Life license plate program.  TR 03/16/2011 Fav/1 Amendment CA 04/04/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered	Not Considered

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8	<b>CS/SB 740</b> Transportation / Negron (Similar CS/H 437)	Motor Vehicle Licenses; Redefines the term "line-make vehicles" to clarify circumstances under which vehicles sold or leased under multiple brand names or marks constitute a single line-make. Revises application of provisions relating to franchise agreements.  TR 03/09/2011 Fav/CS BI 03/16/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered	Not Considered
9	<b>CS/SB 512</b> Environmental Preservation and Conservation / Negron (Similar CS/CS/H 293)	Vessels; Revises penalty provisions for the violation of navigation rules. Provides that a violation resulting in serious bodily injury or death is a second-degree misdemeanor. Provides that a violation that does not constitute reckless operation of a vessel is a noncriminal violation. Provides for increased penalties for certain noncriminal violations of navigation rules, etc.  EP 03/17/2011 Temporarily Postponed EP 03/30/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered RC	Not Considered
10	<b>CS/SB 1286</b> Banking and Insurance / Bennett (Compare CS/H 723)	State Reciprocity in Workers' Compensation Claims; Provides extraterritorial coverage for employees of this state who temporarily leave this state incidental to his or her employment. Exempts certain employees from another state working in this state and the employers of such employees from the workers' compensation law of this state under certain conditions. Provides that the benefits under the workers' compensation insurance or similar laws of the other state are the exclusive remedy against the employer for any injury received by an employee working temporarily in this state, etc.  BI 03/22/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered RC	Not Considered

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11	<b>SB 844</b> Benacquisto (Similar CS/H 575)	Violations/Probation/Community Control/Widman Act; Creates the "Officer Andrew Widman Act." Authorizes a circuit court judge, after making a certain finding, to issue a warrant for the arrest of a probationer or offender who has violated the terms of probation or community control. Authorizes the court to commit or release the probationer or offender under certain circumstances. Authorizing the court, in determining whether to require or set the amount of bail, to consider the likelihood that the person will be imprisoned for the violation of probation or community control, etc.  CJ 03/22/2011 Fav/1 Amendment JU 04/04/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered	Not Considered
12	<b>CS/CS/SB 1972</b> Budget Subcommittee on Health and Human Services Appropriations / Health Regulation / Negron (Compare CS/H 119, H 199, H 245, CS/CS/H 395, CS/CS/H 445, CS/CS/CS/H 479, H 615, CS/H 661, H 795, CS/H 1289, CS/H 1393, CS/H 5311, CS/H 7107, CS/H 7109, CS/S 94, CS/S 406, S 626, S 656, S 966, S 1356, CS/S 1396, CS/CS/S 1522, CS/S 1590, CS/S 1676, CS/S 1736, S 1892, S 1924, S 2144)	Health and Human Services; Exempts hospital districts from the requirement to provide funding to a community redevelopment agency. Provides for medical assistance for children in out-of-home care and adopted children. Revises provisions relating to conditions for Medicaid eligibility. Establishes the Medicaid managed care program as the statewide, integrated managed care program for medical assistance and long-term care services. Requires all Medicaid recipients to be enrolled in Medicaid managed care. Establishes regions for separate procurement of plans, etc.  HR 03/30/2011 Fav/CS BHA 04/06/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered	Not Considered
13	<b>SB 1466</b> Simmons (Compare CS/H 5101, S 2120)	Class Size Requirements; Deletes a reference to the State Constitution regarding class size maximums. Requires that class size maximums be satisfied on or before the October student membership survey each year. Provides that a student who enrolls in a school after the October student membership survey may be assigned to classes that temporarily exceed class size maximums if the school board determines that not assigning the student would be impractical, educationally unsound, or disruptive to student learning, etc.  ED 03/17/2011 Favorable BEA 03/24/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered	Not Considered

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14	<b>SB 1996</b> Education Pre-K - 12 (Compare CS/CS/H 1255, H 1341, CS/H 7087, CS/S 1696, S 2026)	Student Assessment Program for Public Schools; Deletes a provision requiring that certain middle school students who earned high school credit in Algebra I take the Algebra I end-of-course assessment during the 2010-2011 school year.  ED 03/17/2011 Favorable BEA 03/24/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered	Not Considered
15	<b>CS/CS/SB 1618</b> Judiciary / Rules Subcommittee on Ethics and Elections / Diaz de la Portilla (Compare CS/H 1355)  (If Received)	Elections; Allows a respondent who is alleged by the Elections Commission to have violated the election code or campaign financing laws to elect as a matter of right a formal hearing before the Division of Administrative Hearings. Authorizes an administrative law judge to assess civil penalties upon the finding of a violation. Authorizes an administrative law judge to assess civil penalties upon a finding of a violation of the election code or campaign financing laws, etc.  EE 03/21/2011 Fav/CS RC 03/29/2011 Favorable JU 04/12/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Received	Not Received
16	<b>CS/SB 556</b> Criminal Justice / Oelrich (Compare CS/CS/CS/CS/H 353)	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program; Requires the Department of Children and Family Services to perform a drug test on individuals who apply for benefits funded by the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program. Makes individuals responsible for bearing the cost of drug testing. Requires certain notice. Provides procedures for testing and retesting. Provides for notice of local substance abuse programs. Provides that, if a parent is deemed ineligible due to failing a drug test, the eligibility of the children is not affected.  CJ 03/22/2011 Fav/CS BHA 04/13/2011 Fav/1 Amendment BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered	Not Considered
17	<b>CS/SB 1128</b> Governmental Oversight and Accountability / Ring (Compare H 7241)	Public Retirement Plans; Provides for the calculation of local government retirement benefits after a certain date. Provides that a plan is eligible for participation in the Florida Retirement System if it has no unfunded actuarial liabilities. Revises provisions relating to benefits paid from the premium tax by a municipality or special fire control district that has its own pension plan. Creates the Task Force on Public Employee Disability Presumptions, etc.  GO 02/22/2011 Workshop-Discussed GO 02/24/2011 Not Considered GO 03/17/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered	Not Considered

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18	<b>SB 1792</b> Díaz de la Portilla (Identical H 4001)	Growth Policy; Repeals provisions relating to the Urban Infill and Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program, to terminate the program. Conforms cross-references to changes made by the act.  CA 03/28/2011 Favorable BTA 04/13/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered	Not Considered
19	<b>CS/CS/CS/SB 432</b> Judiciary / Health Regulation / Criminal Justice / Evers (Similar CS/CS/H 155)  (If Received)	Privacy of Firearm Owners; Provides that a licensed medical care practitioner or health care facility may not record information regarding firearm ownership in a patient's medical record. Provides an exception for relevance of the information to the patient's medical care or safety or the safety of others. Provides that unless the information is relevant to the patient's medical care or safety or the safety of others, inquiries regarding firearm ownership or possession should not be made by licensed health care practitioners or health care facilities, etc.  CJ 02/22/2011 Fav/CS HR 03/14/2011 Temporarily Postponed HR 03/22/2011 Temporarily Postponed HR 03/28/2011 Fav/CS JU 04/04/2011 Not Considered JU 04/12/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Received	Not Received
20	<b>CS/SB 1388</b> Education Pre-K - 12 / Flores (Similar CS/H 965)	Department of Revenue; Authorizes the department to release certain taxpayers' names and addresses to certain scholarship-funding organizations. Deletes a limitation on the amount of tax credit allowable for contributions made to certain scholarship-funding organizations. Extends the carry-forward period for the use of certain tax credits resulting from contributions to the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program. Deletes a restriction on a taxpayer's ability to rescind certain tax credits resulting from contributions to the program.  ED 03/30/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered RC	Not Considered
21	<b>CS/SB 900</b> Transportation / Bennett (Compare CS/CS/H 1353, CS/CS/S 1150)	Specialty License Plates; Provides for the issuance of a Combat Infantry Badge license plate. Provides qualifications and requirements for the plate. Provides for the use of proceeds from the sale of the plate.  TR 03/29/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered	Not Considered

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22	<b>SB 1974</b> Hill (Compare H 1217)	Driver's License Examinations; Provides requirements for examination questions pertaining to traffic regulations relating to blind pedestrians.  TR 03/29/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered	Not Considered
23	<b>CS/SB 274</b> Transportation / Lynn (Compare H 489, H 953, CS/CS/H 1363, CS/H 7213, S 492, S 908, S 1172, S 1464)	Road and Bridge Designations; Designates Senator Javier D. Souto Way in Miami-Dade County. Designates Nona and Papa Road in St. Johns County. Designates Walter Francis Spence Parkway in Okaloosa County. Designates Corporal Michael J. Roberts Parkway in Hillsborough County. Designates the Florida Highway Patrol Trooper Sgt. Nicholas G. Sottile Memorial in Highlands County, etc.  TR 03/29/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered RC	Not Considered
24	<b>SB 550</b> Hays (Identical H 4097)	Repealing Budget Provisions; Deletes certain budget summary requirements. Repeals a provision relating to Mobility 2000 funding. Conforms cross-references.  TR 02/22/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered RC	Not Considered
Bills which do not have a final action may be carried over to the Thursday, April 14, 2011 meeting.			
For expedited consideration:			
25	<b>CS/SB 998</b> Judiciary / Simmons (Compare CS/CS/H 701)	Property Rights; Redefines the terms "inordinate burden" and "inordinately burdened" as they relate to the Bert J. Harris, Jr., Private Property Rights Protection Act to specify that a moratorium on development in effect for longer than a specified period constitutes an inordinate burden. Revises the time within which a property owner who seeks compensation must present the claim in writing to the head of the governmental entity. Revises the time within which a governmental entity must make a written settlement offer to a claimant, etc.  CA 03/07/2011 Favorable JU 03/28/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0

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26	<b>SB 1990</b> Health Regulation	Ratification of Rules; Ratifies a specified rule for the sole and exclusive purpose of satisfying any condition on effectiveness established by a provision, which requires ratification of any rule that meets any of the specified thresholds that may likely have an adverse impact or excessive regulatory cost.  HR 03/22/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Favorable RC	Favorable Yeas 19 Nays 0
27	<b>CS/CS/SB 1086</b> Health Regulation / Criminal Justice / Hill (Similar CS/H 779)	Restraint of Incarcerated Pregnant Women; Prohibits use of restraints on a prisoner known to be pregnant during labor, delivery, and postpartum recovery unless a corrections official makes an individualized determination that the prisoner presents an extraordinary circumstance requiring restraints. Provides that a doctor, nurse, or other health care professional treating the prisoner may request that restraints not be used, in which case the corrections officer or other official accompanying the prisoner shall remove all restraints, etc.  CJ 03/14/2011 Fav/CS HR 03/22/2011 Fav/CS CA 04/04/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0
28	<b>CS/CS/SB 520</b> Governmental Oversight and Accountability / Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security / Bennett (Similar CS/H 465)	State Memorials; Establishes the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame on the Plaza Level of the Capitol Building. Provides for the Department of Veterans' Affairs to administer the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame. Authorizes the department to establish a nomination and selection process and an induction ceremony, etc.  MS 03/17/2011 Fav/CS GO 04/05/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0
29	<b>CS/SB 1140</b> Children, Families, and Elder Affairs / Sachs (Similar H 1131)	Child Care Facilities; Requires vehicles used by child care facilities and large family child care homes to be equipped with an alarm system that prompts the driver to inspect the vehicle for children before exiting the vehicle. Requires the Department of Children and Family Services to adopt rules and maintain a list of approved alarm systems.  CF 03/14/2011 Fav/CS TR 03/29/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0



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30	<b>CS/SB 1226</b> Criminal Justice / Joyner	Health Care Fraud; Revises the grounds under which the Department of Health or corresponding board is required to refuse to admit a candidate to an examination and refuse to issue or renew a license, certificate, or registration of a health care practitioner. Provides an exception. Requires a delinquent licensee whose license becomes delinquent before the final resolution of a case regarding Medicaid fraud to affirmatively apply by submitting a complete application for active or inactive status during the licensure cycle in which the case achieves final resolution, etc.  HR 03/14/2011 Favorable CJ 03/28/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0
31	<b>CS/SB 1300</b> Criminal Justice / Storms (Similar CS/H 997, Compare H 839)	Juvenile Civil Citations; Requires the Department of Juvenile Justice to encourage and assist in the implementation and improvement of civil citation and similar diversionary programs. Requires that a juvenile civil citation and similar diversion program be established at the local level with the concurrence of the chief judge of the circuit and other designated persons. Authorizes a law enforcement agency, the Department of Juvenile Justice, a juvenile assessment center, the county or municipality, or an entity selected by the county or municipality to operate the civil citation or similar diversion program, etc.  CJ 03/22/2011 Fav/CS JU 03/28/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Temporarily Postponed	Temporarily Postponed
32	<b>CS/SB 1372</b> Children, Families, and Elder Affairs / Storms (Compare H 1083)	Agency for Persons with Disabilities; Requires the Department of Children and Family Services to submit its recommended order to the Agency for Persons with Disabilities at the conclusion of an administrative hearing. Requiring that the agency issue the final agency order. Requires a registered nurse or physician to assess and validate a direct service provider's competency in all routes of medication administration at an onsite setting with an actual client. Provides an exception.  HR 03/22/2011 Fav/1 Amendment CF 03/28/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0

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33	<b>SB 1586</b> Hays (Similar H 1437, Compare CS/S 1428)	Authority/Certain Professionals/Practice in State; Deletes provisions that limit the practice privileges of out-of-state or foreign health professionals or veterinarians who are in this state for a specific sporting event.  HR 03/22/2011 Favorable RI 04/05/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0
34	<b>CS/CS/SB 1150</b> Governmental Oversight and Accountability / Transportation / Latvala (Similar CS/CS/H 1353, Compare H 11, H 177, CS/H 689, H 981, H 4007, H 5501, S 118, S 238, CS/CS/S 244, S 758, CS/S 900, S 1004, S 1644, S 1684, CS/S 1840, S 2160)	Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; Specifies that the executive director of the department serves at the pleasure of the Governor and Cabinet. Creates a Division of Motorist Services within the department. Provides that certain traffic citations may not be issued or prosecuted unless a law enforcement officer used an electrical, mechanical, or other speed-calculating device that has been tested and approved, etc.  TR 03/09/2011 Fav/CS GO 03/30/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0
35	<b>SB 1190</b> Detert (Identical H 1165)	Driver's Licenses and Identification Cards; Provides for a person's status as a veteran to be indicated on his or her driver's license or identification card upon payment of an additional fee and presentation of the person's Form DD 214.  MS 03/30/2011 Favorable TR 04/05/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0